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MRTP COMMISSION
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Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the functions of the M.R.T.P. Commission; and

(b) the number of cases registered by the MRTP Commission during the last three years and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) The Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices (MRTP) Commission has been established under section 5 of the MRTP Act, 1969 with effect from 01.06.1970 and seeks to achieve the following objectives:-

(i) Prevention of concentration of economic power to the common detriment;

(ii) Control of monopolies; and

(iii) Prohibition of Restrictive, Monopolistic and Unfair Trade Practices.

The Commission can enquire into any restrictive, monopolistic and unfair trade practices. The Commission is empowered to award compensation arising out of complaints filed on allegation of adoption of unfair/ restrictive trade practices. The Commission is also empowered to grant temporary injunctions pending finalisation of regular enquiries of unfair, restrictive and monopolistic trade practices.

(b) The number of cases registered by the MRTP Commission during the last three years are as under:

1.1.1998 to 31.12.1998	1.1.1999 to 31.12.1999	1.1.2000 to 31.12.2000
1067	901	847

The Commission has disposed of the following cases during the last three years:

1.1.1998 to 31.12.1998	1.1.1999 to 31.12.1999	1.1.2000 to 31.12.2000
488	696	501